

GENERAL LOCAL NEWS.

Jesse S. Snorgrass Dead.

Died, at his home in this city, Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock, Jesse S. Snorgrass, aged 65 years, 9 months and two days, heart disease of which he had suffered for months being the direct cause of death, his wife and six grown children surviving him.

Jesse Sweeney Snorgrass had been a resident of Morgan county for 63 years, having come to the county with his parents from Casey county, Kentucky, when but three years of age. He had been a farmer all his life and until recently lived on a farm three miles north of Versailles. In August, 1859 he was married to Miss Francis Young, daughter of Col. T. K. Young of this county, to which union six children were born, namely: Thomas J., of Benton county; Dr. W. F. of Centralia, I. T.; Mrs. Viola E. Price; Jennie S. Adams of Washington, D. C.; Wade Hampton of Fort Collins, Col.; and Jesse Edward now at home, all of whom are living, the father's death being the first to break the family union.

Deceased had been a member of the Baptist Church since he was twelve years of age, was an honored Mason, conscientious in all his dealings, and a man of integrity and honor, who could be pointed to as one of our representative citizens, and respected because he deserved the good will of all. The funeral took place to-day (Friday) at 9:30 o'clock a. m., services being held at the Baptist Church, after which the remains were interred in the city cemetery with Masonic honors. The wife, children and relatives entertain the deepest sympathy in the loss of their most valued husband, father and friend.

Died in Iowa.

Mrs. E. P. Brownfield died at the home of her son, Dr. Brownfield, in Eldon, Iowa, last Sunday afternoon. She was the wife of Dr. Brownfield of this city and had been suffering with paralysis since the family came here from Iowa last spring. On September 5th accompanied by the Doctor, she departed for her old home in Iowa thinking the change would be beneficial, but her condition became worse until death relieved her.

Deceased was 68 years of age, the mother of six grown children, two of whom, Charles and Mary, had come here with the family from Iowa. On receipt of a telegram they at once departed for Iowa to be present at the funeral, which was held at Farmington, Iowa, where the family had lived prior to coming to Missouri. Mrs. Brownfield was a constant Christian lady, having been a member of the Baptist Church for years and on arrival in this city attached herself to the Baptist congregation here. The sympathies of this community are extended to the husband and family in this their hour of sorrow.

Died in His Chair.

Benjamin Merriott, aged 48 years, died at his home five miles west of Versailles at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mr. Merriott had been suffering for some time with dropsy to the extent that he had determined to have an operation performed and Tuesday was decided upon as the time for the operation, but while setting in his chair the disease stopped the action of the heart and death came suddenly, his wife being near him at the moment.

Deceased was an old resident of Morgan county and leaves a wife and four children. The funeral was held at 8 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. L. J. Baughman of this city conducting the funeral rites at the residence, after which interment took place in Ritchie cemetery. The bereaved family have the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of their valued husband and father.

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Gravels Mills Tragedy.

Last Saturday afternoon word reached this city that a shooting affair had occurred two miles west of Gravels Mills on the Osage. The details, as far as we have been able to ascertain, are to the effect that James Meyers shot and instantly killed Ellen Braden, the circumstances being such as to throw suspicion upon Meyers that the deed was done purposely or that Meyers was criminally careless in the handling of his gun.

Meyers, according to his own statements, took a rifle from the house to shoot a chicken hawk. A shot was fired and Mrs. Braden happened directly in range with the course of the bullet which struck her in the head, the ball penetrating the brain.

Coroner William Well of this city was notified of the tragedy and Sunday morning went to the scene, impanelled a jury and held an inquest. In the course of the inquest Meyers stated that in shooting at the hawk the woman came in range of the shot without his knowledge, the ball accidentally striking her on top of the head in front, coming out at the base of the brain in the back part of the skull.

The evidence being very meagre, Dr. Well gave the wound a careful examination, which showed that the larger of the bullet wounds was in the back of the head, indicating to him that the victim's face must have been turned away from the weapon when the shot was fired, this one point causing a diversion of opinion as to the shooting, which did not corroborate Meyers' statement.

The verdict of the jury at the inquest was such that caused the arrest of Meyers on the ground that the shooting was probably feloniously committed. Meyers was brought to this city and placed in jail to await a pre-day afternoon before Squire James M. liminary hearing. Coroner Well furnished Justice Clifton a statement as to the jury's decision, as follows:

"I, William Well, Coroner of Morgan county, state of Missouri, hereby certify that at an inquest held over the dead body of Ellen Braden, on the 11th day of October, 1903, at the residence of K. C. Bradshaw in Osage township, in said county, the finding of the jury in said case, with myself as Coroner, was that said Ellen Braden came to her death at the hands of James Meyers, and that said death was probably feloniously committed, and I would ask that a warrant be issued for the arrest of the said James Meyers and that he be dealt with accordingly.

WILLIAM WELL, Coroner.

Meyers was taken before Squire James Clifton Monday afternoon and placed under a \$1,500 bond, and the preliminary hearing set for Wednesday of next week. Bond was furnished and Meyers was released until that time.

The woman's age is about 36 years, while Meyers is 24 years old. The funeral of the unfortunate victim of the fatality was held Sunday afternoon and her remains were interred at Minnow Branch cemetery. She leaves one child, a boy about nine years old. Her home was in Sedalia and she was the divorced wife of John Brockaway now serving a life sentence in the penitentiary.

One on the Dentist.

The Rich Hill Review tells the following story "on" a local dentist: A little girl, suffering with toothache, was in his chair to have the tooth extracted. She refused to let him proceed at first, being afraid of the pain. "It won't hurt you, little one," said the dentist. "There, now, open your mouth. It won't hurt." Half a minute's work removed the tooth and the little girl cried softly the dentist said, "Didn't I tell you it wouldn't hurt? What do you think of me now?" Looking up at him with her big brown eyes she replied, "I think you're the biggest liar in town." The dentist has quit telling people tooth pulling don't hurt.

While opening a box, J. C. Mount, of Three Mile Bay, N. Y., ran a ten penny nail through the fleshy part of his hand. "I thought at once of all the pain and soreness this would cause me," he says, "and immediately applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm and occasionally afterwards. To my surprise it removed all pain and soreness and the injured parts were soon healed." For sale by Witten Drug Co.

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Osage Bridge Represents an Outlay of \$1,500,000.

Last Sunday's Republic contained the following, relative to the new bridge just completed by the Rock Island management over the Osage river, east of Versailles:

With the completion of the bridge over the Osage river, the St. Louis, Kansas City and Colorado will have built the last bridge of any importance on its line between St. Louis and Kansas City, and passed the stage where heavy financial outlay was made for but little gain as far as mileage progression is concerned.

In two notable instances the Colorado line, which belongs to the Rock Island, has been compelled to spend thousands of dollars to get its trains over the line of survey.

The Osage bridge will be completed by the first of next month, and will then represent an outlay of \$1,500,000. It is of steel, supported on heavy stone piers constructed on massive lines sufficiently strong to withstand the most turbulent flood.

In the building of a bridge such as this difficulties are encountered which human foresight cannot possibly anticipate, but so rapid has been the evolution in the profession of bridge building and so exact are the estimates made by engineers of the present day, that the material for the bridge, though made miles away from its final resting place, fits to the fraction of an inch when placed in position, and even the small rivet holes correspond with marvellous exactness.

The building of the piers is one of the many details of bridge building, in which courage, foresight and accuracy are required.

One by one the great stones disappear beneath the water until the pile shows above the surface. Divers far below the surface grasp the great stones as they are lowered, swing the huge mass into a place which has been especially prepared for it and it for the place; seal it with cement, and signal for another. Not a crack must be left where the water can steal into the interior of the pier and crack the solid rock when it freezes, and even above the surface of the water similar precautions are taken, for it is realized that in bridge building, perhaps more than anything else, the smallest mistake or carelessness may lead to the most disastrous results.

WANTED—Prairie Farms, from 80 acres up. I am receiving plenty of inquiries from Iowa, Illinois and Ohio people, about Morgan County. They will begin coming in soon. H. A. YOUNG, in office of Probate Judge.

Hahatonka Park Sold.

A company of capitalists of St. Louis composed of Bryan Snyder, general passenger agent of the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad; Otto Stifel, Tony Steuver, Dr. Hugo Summa, John M. Simon, Jefferson McSorley, John W. Campbell, John Thyson, I. McGirk, Judge Stephens of Clayton, P. J. O'Brien of the Wabash, Captain A. Arnold of Springfield, and Geo. and Henry Heitzberg, have purchased Hahatonka grounds, consisting of 2,500 acres on the Big Niangua river in Camden county about 30 miles southeast of Versailles.

The company proposes making Hahatonka one of the most inviting, as a pleasure resort and natural park, to be seen in the west, and to this end will spend \$100,000 on the grounds to give the resort artificial as well as natural beauty.

Everybody in this section of the state know of the natural beauty, the excellent fishing, the unique surroundings, and the general grandeur of Hahatonka, and it is the intention of the company to add to these natural beauties everything known to builders of summer resorts. The erection of cottages and a mammoth hotel will be among the first of the proposed improvements. An electric lighting and power plant will be installed, the power being furnished by the spring. The caves and other parts of the grounds will be brilliantly lighted, and in addition the company proposes to furnish light and power for all the towns in the surrounding country. The purchase was made from Major R. D. Kellogg, the owner, who lives in Lebanon.

It is not possible for the proprietors to publish more than a very few of the numerous letters received in praise of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and telling of its remarkable cures. They come from people in every walk in life and from every state in the union. The following from T. W. Greathouse, of Prattburg, Ga., speaks for itself: "I would have been dead now but for the use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It cured me of chronic diarrhoea after seven years of suffering. I can never say too much in praise of that remedy." For sale by Witten Drug Co.

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